

The Sacrifices

May 30th, 2021 | Pastors Al and Cameron Brice

"The blood of Jesus Christ and our military men and women is the spring that forms the free-flowing and mighty river of our freedoms, spiritually and naturally." - Pastor Al Brice

[Pastor Al]

2 Timothy 2:3-4 (NKJV)

"You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier."

1. Enduring hardship...means affliction & troubles.

a. Jesus told us, that as long as we're in the world, we would experience trouble.

John 16:32-33 (NKJV)

"Indeed the hour is coming, yes, has now come, that you will be scattered, each to his own, and will leave Me alone. And yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me. 33 These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

[Pastor Cameron]

b. Remember Who is your constant and consistent help in troubled times.

Psalms 46:1-2 (NKJV)

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;"

[Pastor Al]

c. Remember His Word & Promises and pray in faith.

Psalms 119:49-50 (NLT)

"Remember your promise to me; it is my only hope. 50 Your promise revives me; it comforts me in all my troubles."

Romans 15:4 (NLT)

"Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled."

1 Peter 5:7 (NKJV)

"casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."

Philippians 4:6 (NKJV)

"Be anxious (take no thought; to be worried with cares) for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God..."

[Pastor Al]

d. Pray in the Holy Spirit (tongues)

1 Corinthians 14:4 (NKJV)

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“He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but (and) he who prophesies edifies the church.”

Edifies: “to build up; restore; rebuild; repair; embolden; to make braver; strengthen, fortify, stiffen the resolve of, lift the morale of; rouse, stir, stimulate, cheer, rally, give confidence, brace; fire, inflame, motivate, invigorate, vitalize”

Psalm 138:7 (NKJV)

“Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch out Your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and Your right hand will save me.”

Jude 1:20 (NKJV)

“But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,”

[Pastor Cameron]

e. Praise & sing to your God during the comfortable, uncomfortable, and the hard times.

Psalm 59:16-17 (NKJV)

“But I will sing of Your power; Yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning; For You have been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble. 17 To You, O my Strength, I will sing praises; For God is my defense, my God of mercy.”

Hebrews 13:15 (NKJV)

“Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.”

[Pastor Al] Altar Call

John 15:13-14 (NLT)

“There is no greater love than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command.”

(Communion)